

NATURE

If one possesses a sense of humor, a little sympathy and no grouch, he may find never-failing amusement in studying types of people.

When my liver is working well I love to dissect those persons who are possessed of a little more wealth than is good for them. But if my liver is not at itself this class rather irritates than amuses me.

However, the liver being 100 per cent. efficient, let us attem! Take a typical case.

"Pa," who started married life with no capital besides his calloused hands, manages through years of frugery to accumulate a competence. He and "Ma" are simple folks, inured to hardships, at home in calico and jeans, accustomed to going to bed with the chickens and sitting around for an hour or two in the morning waiting for day.

You know Pa and Ma. Each town and community has a score like them. They are mighty fine, old-fashioned folks—make good friends and neighbors—and you and I love them, as well as for the clean, hard fight that's behind them as for the characters they are now.

But Pa and Ma have sons and daughters. Ah! There's the rub. The daughters are fine, well-fed buxom girls—healthy as young heifers—and would have made fine women in an atmosphere of struggle. But Pa and Ma didn't want the girls to have as a hard time as they had had. Pa wanted the girls to go off to college and learn to "talk proper" on fix their hair like a picket, and dear old Ma wanted the girls to keep their hands soft and white, and learn to play the piano and carry their clothes well, so Ma did the house work and washed the dishes.

As a result, the girls are really attractive specimens—on the outside. They are shaped well, they walk well, they talk well, move gracefully, wear their clothes with an air, have good taste and finicky appetites.

But their heads are filled with mush and foolish ideas, and for all purposes useful to the world they are not worth a tinker's dam—if you will pardon the expression. They are not worth it anyway, whether you pardon the expression or not.

And the boys? Oh, well. Dad's rich. Why should a fellow work? The old chap will die sometime and leave his money.

So the boys learn to play billiards—or perhaps polo—; consort with the festive cigarette, affect silk hose of a riotous pattern, and keep their hands soft. Their heads get soft, too.

The boys, as a rule, are worth about half of a very small tinker's dam.

Even our little hide-bound, selfish, gossiping, jealous community can furnish near-specimens to point the moral that is necessary to adorn any tale.

But do you think, darlings, that there are no exceptions. The man in this town who is making more money each year than any other two of us, is "raising" his youngsters on a diet of common sense.

I reckon a good thought to wind up with would be the time-honored proverb that Man, truth and virtue are formed on the earth.

A boy in the country, learning to work, learns wisdom and manhood. His sister learns womanhood.

The boy and girl in the city, sponging on well-to-do and stupid parents, may become great and useful citizens in future years, but it's hardly likely.

The chances are ten to one they will go to the devil.—Fountain Inn Tribune.

Consolation.

An officer now back on the firing line in Flanders writes to say that not long ago he managed to get a short furlough to visit his family. Naturally there was much rejoicing to the house. But the parlor maid had been expecting her sweetheart back from the trenches about the same time, and at the last minute a letter came explaining that leave could not be got. The girl went about the place looking so weebegone that the sight of her was too much for the officer's six-year-old daughter. Suddenly the child rushed up to her father where he sat snugly beside the fire.

"Daddy," she cried, "Maggie's sweetheart hasn't come. Please give her a kiss so that at least she will have something."

His Beginning.

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Uncle Eben.

"Some of us is such gamblers," said Uncle Eben, "dat dey say things dey's likely to be sorry fur, jes' foh de sake of takin' a chance."

STUDENTS GOT THEIR MEAL

Chinese Ambassador Furnished It to Sons of Mandarins, Though Not by Any Means Willingly.

An amusing anecdote of the first week of the war is told by Herbert Adams Gibbons in his new book, "Paris Reborn." The wards of the Chinese government studying in Paris, mostly the sons of mandarins, according to Mr. Gibbons, finding themselves suddenly destitute of funds, applied to their ambassador and their consulate in vain.

Finally as a last resort 60 hungry students literally forced their way into the embassy, devoured the appetizing meal which had already been served in expectation of his excellency and ended by raiding the pantry.

While they were thus occupied the ambassador returned, but being told by the concierge what was happening inside he decided that prudence was the better part of valor. Accordingly he retired to a nearby restaurant and telephoned to the police.

There is nothing a Parisian enjoys better, even a Parisian gendarme, says Mr. Gibbons, than a good joke. He reports that the police did not go at their task very strenuously, adding, however, that in the end it took more than words to get the students out.

USE GAS TO PRESERVE FOOD

French Process Is Especially Adapted for Milk Powder—Operation Declared Simple.

A method has lately appeared in Europe for preserving various food or other products, and especially milk powder, the idea being based upon placing the substance in a sealed vessel or packing case with inert gas, so that this latter prevents the usual spoiling of contents by the action of the air. In the French patented process, the milk powder is packed in metal boxes of convenient size which are entirely sealed except for a pin-hole that is left at the top. A number of such boxes is put in a chamber and the air is exhausted by means of an air pump. When this operation is finished, valves are opened which allow nitrogen to enter the chamber and fill up the several boxes. Then, opening up the chamber, the boxes are quickly removed and the pin hole soldered before an appreciable amount of air has time to enter. In this way the contents of the boxes are kept in an atmosphere of inert gas, and the process is most practical from an industrial standpoint.—Scientific American.

Found Roman Amphitheater.

A Roman amphitheater has been discovered during the construction of a railway from Rome to Naples. The building had been first buried in its own debris and later by a volcanic eruption of unknown date. Recently the Minister Barzilai, accompanied by Professor Spinazzola and others, was taken to see the ruins, and was able to descend the upper range of steps. There were also to be seen the upper apertures of entrances and exits and pieces of the beams which had supported the awnings. Fragments of gilded and colored stucco were a proof of the once magnificent decorations of the edifice. From the steps a fine view was obtained of Pozzuoli, once the port of ancient Rome, so rich that she could boast of two amphitheaters. The one just found is the older in date and evidently the more glorious.

New Ocean Steamship Line.

According to an announcement which was made recently at Madrid, a new steamship line is about to be established between Spain and the United States. The plans call for steamers to ply directly between Vigo and New York. King Alfonso, it is said, has given the enterprise his support and New York capitalists are furnishing financial backing. The new line will provide a shorter route between the two countries than any now in operation. The distance is a little more than 2,800 miles. While the commerce and industry of Spain are feeling indirectly depressing effects of the war, the commercial awakening of that country which has been in progress for some time has not been materially checked and steady advancement is being made along various lines.

Threatened Scarcity of Tin.

Most of the world's sources of tin ore are either stationary or receding in output. Bolivia of all countries alone giving promise of permanence and future growth.

What the Bible Contains.

Somebody possessed of unlimited time and patience has figured that the Bible contains 3,584,173 letters, forming 775,693 words, 31,737 verses, 1,189 chapters and 66 books.

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Effect of Shell Fire.

When a 12-inch shell strikes the water it throws up a "splash" higher than a battleship's mast. This splash weighs about 2,000 tons, enough to sink a small ship.

FEAR "TABOO" IS CONTAGIOUS

So Eddystone Islanders Ascribe Their Ills to the Charm—How "Cure" Is Made.

Many interesting facts with regard to the practice of leechcraft and sorcery, the imposition and removal of taboo, and the belief in the infliction and cure of disease by rites among the natives of Melanesia were related recently by Dr. W. H. R. Rivers in the second Fitzpatrick lecture on "Medicine, Magic and Religion" at the Royal College of Physicians, says the London Times.

In Eddystone Islands, where Doctor Rivers spent several months some years ago, nearly every disease is ascribed to the infraction of a taboo on the fruit of certain trees, especially the coconut and betel vine, the taboo as well as the sign by which it is known being called kenjo.

When anyone suffers from epilepsy or other convulsive seizure which is recognized as kirenge he and his friends consult one known to have the power of imposing the kenjo kirenge. This man visits the patient and strokes him from the head downwards with four leaves called myou, some moss, soot, and scrapings of wood, uttering the formula: "Stroke away. Stroke down and away. Cease thou. Let the man live; do not return. They have given me a good ring." The last clause of this formula and two in that used in removing the taboo refer to the fee, the chief money of the island consisting of arm rings.

LIKE THE WHISKERED MAN

War Has Caused Quite a Change in the Views of Waiters in New York Hotels.

Broadway hotels, theaters and lobster palaces are full of whiskers. They are not the alfalfa variety that are raised in Kansas or the hayseed kind from the small towns. These whiskers are luxurious looking, nicely trained, groomed and perfumed, writes the New York correspondent of the Pittsburgh dispatch. Each hirsute appendage bears the stamp of Russian, Persian, Italian and Latin-American cultivation. The war has driven thousands of foreigners of great wealth and social position to these shores, and they have brought plenty of money with them to enjoy the gay life. The facial drapery is a ready-money sign to the servers. Let any man with whiskers and a polished manner take a seat at the restaurant tables and the waiter immediately begins to figure up the size of the tip he will receive. Some of the tips are said to be so large from these foreigners that the waiters are almost on the verge of nervous prostration. Strange, too, not long ago the man who hid his face behind a beard was looked upon by the serving men as a tightwad. Gascon gave him the once-over and cursed him for having to serve him. But now they welcome the man with whiskers with a smile and an itchy palm.

Alaska's Timber Resources.

The railroad now under construction in Alaska from Seward to Fairbanks will open large tracts of timber for cutting. It is estimated that twenty million acres of good forest are found in Alaska, and four times that area of scattered timber. Sawmills are preparing to follow the railroad builders into the country and in a few years the output of that region will hold an important place in the country's lumber cut. The principal wood is spruce, but there are fairly large quantities of others, including paper birch.—Heraldwood Record.

Wants Couch for Policeman.

Council has reinstated William E. Hockenbrecht, a policeman, in spite of a recommendation of Burgess Keiser that he be discharged, the burgess declaring the officer loafed in city hall instead of patrolling his beat, which Hockenbrecht admitted.

After his reinstatement the burgess recommended that the borough buy Hockenbrecht a couch for use while on duty.—Sunbury (Pa.) Dispatch, Philadelphia Record.

Remember This.

To remove rings from the fingers swollen by their tightness, dip the finger in ice cold soapsuds.

New Use for Seaweed.

Seaweed is made into a composition to take the place of bone for handles of cutlery.

How Much Sugar We Eat.

Americans eat more sugar than the people of any other land. Our per capita consumption of it is more than 95 pounds a year.

Worth Remembering.

The world would be both better and brighter if we would dwell on the duty of happiness as well as the happiness of duty.—Sir John Lubbock.

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SILK-HATTED CROOK GONE

New York Hasn't Any More Criminals Like Those That Throve Some Thirty Years Ago.

The silk-hatted, bewhiskered high-class crook has shaken the New York dust off his spats and disappeared. He is absolutely extinct. A modern criminal who can boast a good suit of clothes now is termed "Raffles," or, if he is suspected of wearing what some call a dress suit he is a "gentleman burglar." Usually he "Raffleses" a couple of times, making a few small clean-ups, and then is netted, arraigned and sent away to a place where he gets his hair cutting and clothes pressing done free.

There are plenty of free lances of crime circulating around where legal tender or other valuables can be annexed by a little exertion at some risk, but the old-time bands of bold, bad, debonair knights of dark deeds have faded away. There are plenty of men who skulk through what is vaguely termed "the underworld" and who take a desperate chance at impromptu crimes, robberies, hold-ups or sneak thief jobs, which suddenly come under their attention.

These men are not the same caliber as the big criminals of thirty years ago, although occasionally one of the modern specimens stumbles upon a rich haul. The police say up-to-date methods have driven them from the game. The green goods men and gold brick canvassers have followed the bison and the Indian over the last frontier, as an organized criminal industry. The "wireless" wire tappers have been hunted down and out. This band has been dispersed to various iron-barred havens of rest, leaving the country capitalist safe to wander through Manhattan without being tempted to play the races on some intercepted tip.

SAW THEMSELVES IN MOVIES

Exhibition at Vassar College That Caused Much Laughter Among the Student Body.

The students of Vassar college had an opportunity the other day to see how well they would appear as motion picture actresses, says a Poughkeepsie dispatch to the New York Tribune. They attended a show and saw themselves on the screen.

The pictures displayed were taken by Prof. George Burbank Shattuck, head of the geology department. They included features of last year's class day, Founders' day and the recent fiftieth anniversary, such as the pageant, the gymnastic exhibition and the academic procession.

There was much laughter in the audience, which was composed mostly of the "actresses." Frequently such outbursts occurred as "Gracious! Did I look like that?" "Oh, look! Here I come!"

One girl exclaimed: "Heavens! I never knew my belt was unbuttoned!" Another wailed: "Why didn't I look at the camera, so I could see myself?"

The pictures will be exhibited before Vassar college alumnae associations all over the country. The proceeds will go toward the \$1,000,000 endowment fund.

Busy Bulgarian City.

Varna, the Bulgarian Black sea port which the Russian fleet bombarded, has the unusual distinction of being a fortress, a seaport, a departmental capital, and an episcopal city. Its industries include brewing, distilling, tanning, clothmaking, and cotton spinning. The city has been identified with an ancient Milesian colony, that of Odessus, of the lower Moesian coast. In late days it figured prominently in history in connection with the battle fought near by, in which Sultan Murad II slew Vladislava III of Poland and Hungary, and routed his army in 1444, ten years before the Turks took Constantinople. In recent years it has been successively in the hands of the Russians, of the Crimean allies, and of Egyptian troops. By the treaty of Berlin it was ceded to Bulgaria.

Unwholesome Scotch Atmosphere.

The recent rumor that the kaiser is becoming dissatisfied with the conduct of his eldest son recalls an incident which occurred some fourteen years ago when the crown prince was paying a visit to a Scottish duke. The crown prince was having a very good time, and making the most of his temporary escape from parental supervision. However, several days before the time fixed for his departure a telegram was received from the kaiser ordering the prince to proceed elsewhere immediately. On his kindly host venturing to protest against this sudden change of plans, the German enquirey in attendance on the prince replied: "His Imperial Majesty commands that the Crown Prince must more earnest be made!"—London Standard.

Took No Chances.

"Weel, weel," said one canny old farmer to another as they left the church after listening to a charity sermon preached by a famous divine, "and ne's a wonderful man entirely! He got all the silver I had in my pocket. It's a terrible thing to go to hear a man like that." "Eh, man," said the other, "it's a' that! But I had heard him afore. So or e'er I ganged to the church I tuk all the money out of my Sunday breeks!"

HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Patron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without tiring me, and am doing all my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 61-page book, "How Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. J-4

Cost of Composing Opera.

Massenet dreaded the first performance of his operas so much that he usually left the city and hid until they were over. In a recently published book, "Souvenirs de la Vie de Theatre," Pierre Berton tells of meeting him the night before the production of his "Roi de Lahore," and congratulating him on the success that was sure. He was astonished at the weary, melancholy attitude of the composer. "Massenet silently took off his hat, and pointed with his finger at his hair. It was freshly silvered, to my surprise, for we were then both young men. And he said to me, 'See what it costs to bring out an opera!'"

Shade for Light.

For the electric light in the boudoir or bedroom there is a useful novelty in the way of a shade. This is an exquisite little lady dressed in rose silks and gold lace, after the style of the ladies of the court of Louis Quinze. The skirt forms the shade and the light shining through the satin and lace takes on a lovely soft glow.

Community Christmas.

The celebration of the "community Christmas" in this country originated in a dinner table conversation of a group of artists in New York some years ago. One of the group, a young man who had just returned from study in Germany, was enthusiastic over the community festivals there, and the transplanting of the celebration to the United States; had its birth at that time. The first community Christmas tree in this country was the Madison square "Tree of Light" in 1912; various factors in the life of New York as a community contributed to the arrangement and financing of the tree. Since then the custom has spread to hundreds of cities, towns and villages, which have adapted the idea to their particular needs and circumstances, and plan to make it a permanent establishment. The custom has existed in Germany for many years—is, in fact, an old German tradition and "fact."

Game Destroys French Crops.

In certain parts of France the rapid increase of game is threatening the crops. It has become necessary to authorize the wholesale killing of rabbits, deer and boars, and in some cases even of hares and pheasants. The sale of the rabbits and boars has been permitted, but the pheasants and hares were reserved for the ambulances and hospitals. With the object of relieving the markets, M. Jules Mellé, French minister of agriculture, has decided to allow the sale of hares and pheasants.

The All-Powerful Pay Office.

Here are some authentic examples of letters received, says the Remount Herald, at the British pay office from soldiers' wives. "Dear Sir: I have not received any money since my husband 'as gone from nowhere." "Dear sir: I thank you for remittance. You have changed my little boy into a girl. Will it make any difference?"

Valuable Ancient Helmet.

Sir Guy Laking, armorer of the king of England, has in his possession a helmet of the fifteenth century which is worth \$10,000. Only one other helmet of the same period in perfect condition is known to be in existence.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and not the least of them is supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Dr. J. C. Cheney's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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Marketing Farm Products. United States Senator Fletcher has called a meeting of the national marketing committee to devise means to aid the farmer in marketing his products, and also to enable the consumer to distinguish between the high cost of food and the high cost of service.

"The farmers of the country are producing annually crops for which they receive \$9,000,000,000, and for which the consumer pays \$27,000,000,000," said Representative W. S. Goodwin of Arkansas, a member of the committee. "The farmer gets 35 cents and the middleman gets 65 cents for each dollar the consumer pays for the farmer's crops. There is an enormous amount of waste, especially in perishable products, because of the lack of some central directing intelligence."

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W. H. WALLACE, Executor estate of A. Beaver deceased. Feb. 29, 1916. 29-7-14-21-4t

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